

CHEAPER GAS PRICE IS HAILED BY 20,000 USERS IN SUBURBS

Counties Gas and Electric Company, Controlled by U. G. I., Cuts 10 Cents Off Homes Rate

LESS TO BUSINESS MEN

Nearly 20,000 homes and places of business in the suburban district west and northwest of Philadelphia are profiting by a reduction in gas rates recently made by the Counties Gas and Electric Company.

DIVIDED INTO DISTRICTS

The Counties Gas Company is controlled by the United Gas Improvement Company. Samuel T. Bodine, president of the U. G. I., is also president of the Counties Gas Company.

NEW SCHEDULE OF RATES

Under the new schedule of rates the average housekeeper pays \$1 for a thousand cubic feet of gas in Montgomery County, providing prompt payment is made.

IN EFFECT JANUARY 1

The reduced rate, which went into effect January 1, was announced at a time when the market for gas was at a low price.

CAUSE OF HIGH RATE HERE

An agreement between the City of Philadelphia and the United Gas Improvement Company is the cause of the high rate which Philadelphia pays for gas.

NO COUNTY BURDENS

The Counties Gas and Electric Company is not burdened by local or municipal taxes, but pays only the State corporation tax.

D'ANNUNZIO ANGERS VATICAN

Pope to Condemn Poet's Writings as "Blasphemous"

ROME, Feb. 9.—The recent writings of Gabriele d'Annunzio, the Italian war poet, are to be placed upon the index of the Sacred Congregation as "blasphemous."

The Souplee finish that we impart to collars and cuffs renders them unusually white and "dressy," but sufficiently flexible to be absolutely comfortable.



"FIGHT" AS A VETERAN SAYS MINE WORKERS DON'T WANT DEFENSE

"Statement Unworthy of Man Who Has Served Under Flag," Cries Representative Crago

WOMEN JOIN IN PLEA

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—With the declaration, "Your statement is unworthy of any man who has ever served under the American flag," Representative Thomas H. Crago, of Waynesburg, Pa., today bitterly denounced Percy Teltow, formerly of Wampum, Pa., who appeared before the House Military Affairs Committee with a delegation of men and women who are opposed to preparedness.

After Teltow had been vigorously criticized by several members of the committee, he contradicted the statements he had made which drew fire from those who are in favor of preparedness.

"You had an old Springfield rifle, didn't you?" asked Representative Crago.

PLAYING TO GALLERIES

"I will answer that by telling you that I was one of those who was criticizing McKinley for holding Congress back. I went to Cuba on a transport, sleeping on a concrete floor, because we did not even have hammocks; we did not have water for our coffee even. We got to Cuba, and I saw our men dying all around. When we reached the island I found we were not prepared. I would rather go through all that and suffer as I did than to plunge this Government into militarism."

The committee room was packed with antipreparedness devotees, and they applauded vigorously.

"That is only playing to the galleries and isn't worthy of a man who has served under the flag of his country," said Representative Crago.

WHAT TETLOW SAID

In beginning his statement, Teltow said: "We are opposed to advancing one step toward fastening on the people of this country a military system that will crush them. You cannot safeguard democracy by establishing a military system other than that necessary to protect the system for which we contended when we established this Government."

Holland Has New Finance Minister

THE HAGUE, Feb. 9.—Dr. Anton Vud Jijn has been appointed Minister of Finance for Holland.

TEN FAMILIES FLEE FIRE IN TENEMENT

Ten Jewish families fought and pushed their way down steep stairs and fled through narrow hallways in a tenement this morning at 325 Queen street, when fire was discovered on the third floor.

Mother Braves Blaze and Saves Her Twins—Downtown School Children Frightened

The woman was silent today at the arraignment before Magistrate Baker, in the 3d and Dickinson streets police station. After the story was told by Mrs. Pattista Leoni, a sister of the wounded man, who was walking with him when the shot was fired, Magistrate Baker fixed bail at \$1000, pending a further hearing.

MAN'S FRAILTIES TO BE EXPOSED IN 1916 STYLES; NEW DRESS SUIT



Evening Dress Will Sparkle Like Champagne, Padding Is Taboo and the Tailors Are Thinking of Perpetrating Corsets

If you spill wine on your dress suit, you need not bother about it; that is, if you are in the latest fashion. Merely brush it off and smile.

STRIKING MACHINISTS TAKE GRAY AS UMPIRE

Workers Accept Wilmington Mayor's Plan to Settle Dispute

WILMINGTON, Del., Feb. 9.—The Wilmington Lodge of Machinists, through its secretary, today sent a letter to Mayor Price in reply to one received from the Mayor yesterday, thanking him for the suggestion that the machinists, who have been on strike since last summer, agree to submit their cause to arbitration, with Judge George Gray as umpire.

The letter also states that the union, at a meeting tomorrow night, will probably appoint a committee of one from each of the eight establishments where the men are on strike to call on Judge Gray and ask him to serve.

WOMAN PICKING COAL BY TRAIN

Failure to see an approaching express train was responsible for the death of Mrs. Sarah Earle, a negro, who was struck and instantly killed by a Pennsylvania Railroad train at Sharon Hill today as she was picking coal from the tracks.

WOMEN HEAR APPEAL FOR IDEALS IN HOME

Housekeeping as Profession Urged by Speaker at Country Life Meeting

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INDICT SOCIETY WOMAN FOR CUSTOMS FRAUD

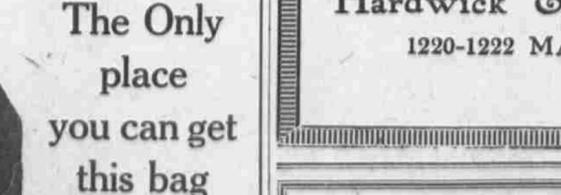
Mrs. Whitney Warren to Be Tried for Undervaluing Costly Garments

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Mrs. Whitney Warren, society leader and wife of America's foremost architect, was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury today on a charge of defrauding the Government by undervaluing goods she brought from Europe last November.

Boy, Fearing Jail, Runs Away

The police are looking for a boy today whose fear of being sent to jail prompted him to run away from home last night. He was to have been arraigned today.

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This was the keynote of the morning session of the Four-State-Country-Life Conference sounded today by Miss Pearl McDonald, of Pennsylvania State College, who delivered an address on "Extension Work Among the Farm Women."

Miss Edith Elliott Smith presided at the first session, where problems of women alone were discussed. Miss Caroline Harry, chief probation officer of Chester County's juvenile court, reported some of her findings; Edwin D. Solonberger, secretary of the Pennsylvania Children's Aid Society, told of children's work in the country; Mrs. Jean Kane Foulke, of the State Department of Agriculture, spoke on "Farm Women and Girls."

This afternoon marketing and keeping house will be the principal topics under discussion, and tonight they will talk about the rural school building. Among tonight's speakers will be Mrs. Percy V. Pennsylvania, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

Tomorrow is the last day of the meeting, and Gifford Pinchot will preside at the morning session.

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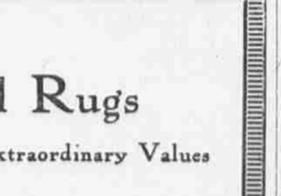
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